GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:685
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HEARING OF COMPLAINTS BY CIC SIC
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Will the Minister of PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Central Information Commission (CIC) and State Information Commission (SIC) hear omplaints/appeals relating to information sought under Right to Information Act;

(b) if so, the number of such complaints/ appeals during the last two years and the current year;

(c) the number of Public Information Officers found guilty during the said periods; and

(d) the action taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE PRIME MINISTER`S OFFICE AND MINISTER OF THE STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS (SHRI PRITHVIRAJ CHAVAN)

(a): Yes, Sir.

(b): The number of appeals and complaints received and disposed of by the Central Information Commission is given below:

Period	Received	Disposed
2006-07	6839	4074
2007-08	11,261	7722
2008-09 (up to September,2008	5401	3519

The information in respect of the State Information Commission is not maintained centrally.

(c): The Central Information Commission imposed penalty in 211 cases and recommended disciplinary action in 21 cases during this period.

(d): The recommendation of the Central Information Commission for disciplinary action against the guilty Central Public Information Officers is to be acted upon by the respective cadre controlling authorities.Information regarding the disciplinary action taken by the cadre controlling authorities is not centrally maintained.